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Official meetings

[There are no meetings scheduled at Headquarters on *Monday, 21 September 2009*, official holiday.]

Tuesday, 22 September 2009

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Procurement
2. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)

Summit on Climate Change convened by the Secretary-General
(22 September 2009)

The Summit on Climate Change convened by the Secretary-General will be held on *Tuesday, 22 September 2009*, at 9 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall. Information on the modalities of the Summit is contained in document A/INF/64/4. Further information, including a background paper by the Secretary-General, can also be accessed at <www.un.org/climatechange/2009summit>.

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Security Council

The President of the Security Council for the month of September has the honour to remind Member States that the Security Council will convene a Summit in connection with nuclear non-proliferation and nuclear disarmament on Thursday, 24 September 2009, at 9.15 a.m. in the Security Council Chamber. Member States that are not members of the Security Council wishing to submit written statements are welcome to do so and may wish to refer to the concept paper on the Summit contained in document S/2009/463. Statements submitted will be issued as documents of the Security Council.

High-level event on reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in developing countries

In partnership with Member States of the United Nations with significant interest in advancing reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in developing countries, a high-level event on the topic, convened by the Secretary-General, will take place on Wednesday, 23 September 2009, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All Heads of State and Government and their delegations are invited to participate. Participants are requested to confirm their participation at un-redd@un-redd.org. Queries related to the event may also be directed to the same e-mail address (un-redd@un-redd.org).

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

General debate
(23–26 and 28–30 September 2009)

The list of speakers for the general debate of the sixty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (rooms S-2940B and S-2925). The list of speakers has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (Office of the Permanent Representative).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the General Assembly, a voluntary 15-minute time limit should be observed during the general debate. The list of speakers was prepared on the basis of this 15-minute time limit. To help speakers in the general debate respect the time limit, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum of the General Assembly Hall.

High-level commemoration of the sixtieth anniversary of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)

A high-level event for the commemoration of the sixtieth anniversary of UNRWA will take place on Thursday, 24 September 2009, in accordance with resolution 63/91 of 5 December 2008 and decision 63/558 of 11 August 2009. A note verbale regarding the event has been sent to all permanent and observer missions.

Following a ministerial-level breakfast, the event will continue at 9 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The President of the General Assembly, H.E. Dr. Ali Abdussalam Treki, will open the meeting, with the President of the Palestinian Authority, H.E. Mr. Mahmoud Abbas, and the Commissioner-General of UNRWA, Ms. Karen AbuZayd. From 9.30 to 11 a.m., there will be two panel discussions on the theme "Contributing to a better future: UNRWA's record and the road ahead", to be followed by a ministerial segment, from 11 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. The Secretary-General will make opening remarks. For further information, please contact Ms. Noemi Becerra (e-mail becerran@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2254).

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Tuesday, 22 September 2009

Room S-226

9 a.m.	H.E. Mr. Evo Morales Ayma, President of the Plurinational State of Bolivia
10.30 a.m.	H.E. Mr. Lars Løkke Rasmussen, Prime Minister of Denmark; H.E. Mr. Klavs Arnoldi Holm, Ambassador, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Mr. Steve Grove, Head of News and Politics, YouTube; and Ms. Rebecca Moore, Manager, Google Earth Outreach (to launch an initiative that uses interactive tools and platforms to promote awareness of the global impact of climate change)
12 noon	Press briefing by the Spokesperson
12.30 p.m.	Mr. Janos Pasztor, Director of the Secretary-General's Climate Change Support Team
1.45 p.m.	Press briefing on the work of the Ad Hoc Liaison Committee (AHLC) [speakers to be confirmed]
3 p.m.	Cardinal Keith O'Brien, Archbishop of Saint Andrews and Edinburgh; Ms. Elizabeth Peredo, Director, Fundación Solon; and Mr. Joseph Donnelly, Caritas Internationalis (on the occasion of the High-level Summit on Climate Change) [sponsored by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands]
4 p.m.	His Serene Highness Prince Albert II of Monaco (on the occasion of the High-level Summit on Climate Change)

Conference Room 4

11 a.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Lars Løkke Rasmussen, Prime Minister of Denmark; Mr. Al Gore, Chairman, Generation Investment Management and Nobel Laureate; Mr. Helmy Abouleish, Managing Director, SEKEM; Mr. Djimon Hounsou, actor; Ms. Barbara Krumsiek, President, Calvert Investments; and Dr. Zhengrong Shi, Chairman, Suntech (on the United Nations Leadership Forum on Climate Change)

6 p.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General; and H.E. Mr. Lars Løkke Rasmussen, Prime Minister of Denmark (following the closing of the High-level Summit on Climate Change)

General Assembly Stakeout (at the delegates' entrance)

9.30 p.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General; and other participating Heads of State and Government (following the Secretary-General's working dinner on climate change)

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 23 September 2009

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

9 a.m. . . . . 3rd plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: presentation by the Secretary-General of his annual report (A/64/1) . . . . . [107]
2. Opening of the general debate . . . . . [8]
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Barack Obama, President of the United States of America
5. Address by His Excellency Colonel Muammar Al-Qadhafi, Leader of the Revolution of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda
7. Address by His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Amir of the State of Qatar
8. Address by His Excellency Mr. Tabaré Vázquez, President of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay
9. Address by His Excellency Mr. Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov, President of Turkmenistan

10. Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Michelle Bachelet Jeria, President of the Republic of Chile

11. Address by His Excellency Mr. Abdelaziz Bouteflika, President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria

12. Address by His Excellency Mr. Lee Myung-bak, President of the Republic of Korea

13. Address by His Excellency Mr. Nicolas Sarkozy, President of the French Republic

14. Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [8]

Address by His Excellency Mr. Fredrik Reinfeldt, Prime Minister of Sweden

Address by His Excellency Mr. Silvio Berlusconi, President of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Italy

Address by His Excellency Mr. Gordon Brown, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

3 p.m. . . . . 4th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Cristina Fernández de Kirchner, President of the Argentine Republic

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Emomali Rahmon, President of the Republic of Tajikistan

3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Hu Jintao, President of the People's Republic of China

4. Address by His Serene Highness Prince Albert II of Monaco

5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Álvaro Uribe Vélez, President of the Republic of Colombia

6. Address by His Excellency Mr. José Manuel Zelaya Rosales, President of the Republic of Honduras

7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Dmitry Medvedev, President of the Russian Federation

8. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jacob Zuma, President of the Republic of South Africa

9. Address by His Excellency Mr. Václav Klaus, President of the Czech Republic

10. Address by His Excellency Mr. Carlos Mauricio Funes Cartagena, President of the Republic of El Salvador

11. Address by His Excellency Mr. Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea

12. Address by His Excellency Mr. Leonel Fernández Reyna, President of the Dominican Republic

13. Address by His Excellency Mr. Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran

14. Address by His Excellency Mr. Evo Morales Ayma, President of the Plurinational State of Bolivia

15. Address by His Excellency Mr. Victor Yushchenko, President of Ukraine

16. Address by His Excellency Mr. Lech Kaczyński, President of the Republic of Poland

17. Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [8]

Address by His Excellency Mr. Kevin Rudd, Prime Minister of Australia

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004) will hold an open meeting from Wednesday, 30 September, to Friday, 2 October 2009, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, as a part of the comprehensive review of the status of implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). The modalities for the comprehensive review are outlined in document S/2009/170. Member States, international, regional and subregional organizations and other entities have been invited to participate in the comprehensive review process and in the meeting.

The list of speakers for the general debate (30 September–1 October) will be opened on *Tuesday, 22 September*, and will close on Monday, 28 September 2009. For enquiries, please contact Mr. Vesselin Kostov, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail sc-1540-committee@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3577; room S-3055I). An interactive session will follow the general debate until Friday, 2 October.

Further information on the activities of the 1540 Committee, including official documents and background materials prepared for the comprehensive review, can be accessed at <www.un.org/sc/1540/ComprehensiveReview-OpenMeeting.shtml>.

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 78 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 78 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) of the agenda of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly will be held, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., on Monday, 28 September 2009, in Conference Room 5; on Tuesday, 29 September, in Conference Room 3; and from Wednesday, 30 September, to Friday, 2 October, in Conference Room 5.

Main Committees

First Committee

The First Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 1 October 2009, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider its tentative programme of work and timetable (see document A/63/397).

The Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items, from Monday, 5, to Monday, 12 October 2009. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact Ms. Giulia Marrone (e-mail marrone@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9328; room S-2977).

Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the First Committee and guidance provided by the Bureau, a time limit should be observed of 10 minutes for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and 15 minutes for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Timur Alasaniya, Acting Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Ms. Francine Leong (e-mail leong@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4389; fax 1 (212) 963-5305; room S-2977)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/64/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

A technical briefing by the Secretariat for delegates of the First Committee will be held on a date to be announced.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 1st meeting on Thursday, 1 October 2009, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The Committee will begin its consideration of the cluster of items on decolonization on Monday, 5 October, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to all decolonization items are kindly requested to notify Ms. Milena Tekeste (e-mail tekeste1@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4193; room S-2977).

Delegations are also reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) are to be submitted to Mr. Saijin Zhang, Secretary of the Committee (c/o Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305; room S-2977NN)).

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and Permanent Observers at <https://4thcommittee.unlb.org>. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

Second Committee

General debate

The Second Committee will begin its general debate on Monday, 5 October 2009, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Sha Zukang, will address the Committee.

The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact Ms. Dolores Lois, *in writing* (e-mail lois@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; room S-2950).

Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, in accordance with past practice of the Second Committee, a time limit of 10 minutes for delegations speaking in their national capacity and 15 minutes for those speaking on behalf of groups should be observed. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis, Secretary of the Second Committee (e-mail 2ndcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; room S-2950C). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales or form A/INF/64/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Third Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items to be allocated to the Third Committee will open on Monday, 28 September 2009. The Committee will begin its work on Monday, 5 October, at 10 a.m.

Participants

Delegations that have not communicated the composition of their delegation to the Third Committee are reminded to convey such information to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; room S-2950D). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/64/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 1 October 2009, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to consider its proposed programme of work. The status of preparedness of documentation for the Fifth Committee during the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly will be issued as document A/C.5/64/L.1.

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Mr. Movses Abelian (c/o Ms. Ana Bürgi (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-0360; room S-2633)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/64/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee during the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly, including the tentative and provisional programme of work, will be available at <www.un.org/ga/fifth/>.

Informal briefings

Informal briefings (closed) will be held as follows:

Thursday, 1 October 2009, immediately following the organizational meeting of the Fifth Committee, in Conference Room 3:

Management of the United Nations (by Ms. Angela Kane, Under-Secretary-General for Management);

Monday, 5 October 2009, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3:

Scale of assessments (by Mr. Jun Yamazaki, Assistant Secretary-General, Controller); and Capital Master Plan (by Mr. Michael Adlerstein, Assistant-Secretary-General/Executive Director); and

Tuesday, 6 October 2009, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3:

Budgeting in the United Nations (by Mr. Jun Yamazaki, Assistant Secretary-General, Controller); and Enterprise resource planning (ERP) (by Ms. Angela Kane, Under-Secretary-General for Management, and Mr. Paul van Essche, Director, Enterprise Resource Planning Project).

Economic and Social Council

International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

Executive Board
Sixth session (resumed)

The resumed sixth session (closed) of the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW) will be held on Thursday, 1 October 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77: Twenty-first Annual Meeting of Senior Officials

Wednesday, 23 September 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Group of 77: Thirty-third Annual Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs

Friday, 25 September 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Group of 15: Thirty-first Meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs

Thursday, 24 September 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Group of 15: Fourteenth Summit of the Heads of State and Government

Friday, 25 September 2009, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Commonwealth: Eighth Meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs

Thursday, 24 September 2009, at 2.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Commonwealth: Ministerial Meeting on Terrorism

Thursday, 24 September 2009, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, following the adjournment of the Eighth Meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs.

Community of Democracies: Informal Ministerial Meeting (organized by the Permanent Mission of Lithuania)

Thursday, 24 September 2009, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Caribbean Community: Twelfth informal consultation of the Council for Foreign and Community Relations (COFCOR) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Jamaica)

Friday, 25 September 2009, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room 7*.

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries: Ministerial Meeting

Friday, 25 September 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

OIC Group: Annual Coordination Meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs (at the ministerial level)

Friday, 25 September 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

System of Central American Integration System (SICA) and MERCOSUR: Ministerial Meeting (organized by the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica)

Friday 25 September 2009, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5.

Alliance of Civilizations: Ministerial Meeting of the Group of Friends

Saturday, 26 September 2009, from 8.30 to 10.30 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

CARICOM Member States Mini-Summit (convened by the Secretary-General)

Saturday, 26 September 2009, from 2.10 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

International Conference of New or Restored Democracies: Ministerial Meeting (at the ministerial level) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Qatar)

Tuesday, 29 September 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Eastern European Group (election experts) (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 30 September 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 30 September 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 30 September 2009, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Forthcoming other activities

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Forum on the Mali MDG scale-up phase (Initiative 166) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mali and the United Nations Development Programme)

Wednesday, 23 September 2009, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Mr. N'Golo Fomba or Mrs. Koné Mariam, Permanent Mission of Mali (e-mail malionu@aol.com; tel. 1 (212) 737-4150).]

Briefing for parliamentarians attending the general debate of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly on cooperation between the United Nations, national parliaments and the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) (sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Namibia, in cooperation with the Inter-Parliamentary Union)

Thursday, 24 September 2009, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

[Permanent representatives and observers are invited to attend. For more information, please contact the IPU office (e-mail ny-office@mail.ipu.org; tel. 1 (212) 557-5880).]

High-level event on "Peace and security through women's leadership: Acting on Security Council resolution 1325 (2000) and climate change" (co-hosted by the President of Finland and the President of Liberia and co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Liberia)

Thursday, 24 September 2009, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[Permanent and observer missions are encouraged to attend at the highest level. For further information, please contact Ms. Laura Sundblad, Permanent Mission of Finland (e-mail laura.sundblad@formin.fi; tel. 1 (212) 355-2100, ext. 741).]

Ministerial working session on the sixtieth anniversary of the Geneva Conventions — Ensuring respect for international humanitarian law in a changing environment and the role of the United Nations (organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

Saturday, 26 September 2009, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Fabienne Thomas-Eichhorn, Permanent Mission of Switzerland (e-mail fabienne.eichhorn@eda.admin.ch).]

High-level round table on "The inter-ethnic city: Management and policies for a better integration of migrants" (co-organized by the Alliance of Civilizations, the International Organization for Migration and the Permanent Missions of Canada and Italy)

Monday, 28 September 2009, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. To register, please contact Ms. Chantal Dubois, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail chantal.dubois@international.gc.ca), by Wednesday, 23 September. More information on the event can be found at <www.un.int/iom/Inter-Ethnic%20City.html>.]

Presentation of "El Espíritu Nexos" — an audio-visual educational project (organized by the Alliance of Civilizations, Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

Wednesday, 30 September 2009, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[All are invited to attend. For further information and to register, by *today*, 18 September 2009, please contact Mr. Jordi Torrent, Alliance of Civilizations (e-mail torrent@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9917).]

Commemoration of International Day of Non-Violence and release of a commemorative stamp by the United Nations Postal Administration (organized by the Permanent Mission of India)

Friday, 2 October 2009, from 5 to 6 p.m. in the Penthouse of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact, please contact Mr. Acquino Vimal, Permanent Mission of India (e-mail indfs_hrs@indiaun.net; tel. 1 (212) 490-9683).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

Conference of the Parties
Ninth session
Buenos Aires, 21 September–2 October 2009

The ninth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP (9)) will be held from *Monday, 21 September*, to Friday, 2 October 2009, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, at the Hotel Hilton. The session will open on *Monday, 21 September*, at 3 p.m., followed by the 1st plenary meeting of the Conference.

At the 1st plenary meeting, a limited number of speakers representing major groups of states, specialized agencies, intergovernmental organizations, regional and other interest groups and non-governmental organizations, will have an opportunity to address the Conference.

A special high-level segment on fostering the implementation of the 10-year strategic plan and framework to enhance the implementation of the Convention will be held on Monday, 28, and Tuesday, 29 September 2009.

The opening ceremony of the special high-level segment will be held on Monday, 28 September, at 10 a.m. Special statements, on behalf of regional and other interest groups, will be made on that occasion.

The high-level segment will hold three ministerial-level round table discussions, as follows:

Monday, 28 September, at 3 p.m., on the theme "The global trends of desertification, land degradation and drought — Liaison with other problems and challenges for decision makers and stakeholders";

Tuesday, 29 September, at 10 a.m., on the theme "Desertification/land degradation and climate change — What role for the land in the ongoing negotiations for a new climate change regime at Copenhagen?"; and

Tuesday, 29 September, at 3 p.m., on the theme "Partnerships and institutions for combating desertification, land degradation and drought — The path to improvement".

The annotated provisional agenda and the proposed organization of work for the session are contained in document ICCD/COP(9)/1. Documentation for the session is available on the UNCCD Web site at the following address: <www.unccd.int>.

Announcements

Summit on Climate Change convened by the Secretary-General: Pre-recorded video statements

The Summit on Climate Change convened by the Secretary-General, to take place on *Tuesday, 22 September 2009*, will feature several innovative elements. Among them is an attempt to change the nature of the discussion through active exchanges between participants in the short time available at a one-day event. Therefore, in lieu of live national statements in the plenary, all Heads of State and Government have the opportunity to send in a pre-recorded video statement that will be made available on the Internet, including on the Summit on Climate Change Web site and on YouTube. Guidelines for pre-recorded video statements were distributed to all Member States in note verbale SG/CCST/2 of 4 August 2009. Member States are encouraged to submit their pre-recorded video statements *as soon as possible*.

For technical questions regarding the pre-recorded video statements by Heads of State and Government, please contact Mr. Andreas Damianou, Chief, Webcast Unit, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-6733).

Arrangements for the Summit on Climate Change are contained in the information note for delegations (A/INF/64/4).

Live webcast of the general debate of the General Assembly (23–26 and 28–30 September 2009)

The general debate of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly will be broadcast live and on-demand over the Internet (in English and original language). It will be accessible through the United Nations Webcast at <www.un.org/webcast>.

Delegations are invited to send by e-mail an advance electronic copy of their statement, in one or more of the United Nations official languages, to ensure timely and accurate posting of the text on the United Nations Web site and as a step to reducing paper usage. The statements should be sent to dpigaweb@un.org.

Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (Article XIV)

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty will be held at United Nations Headquarters, on 24 and 25 September 2009.

The Conference will convene on Thursday, 24 September, at 8 a.m. in Conference Room 3. It will be suspended at 8.50 a.m. and will resume at 11 a.m. From 9 to 11 a.m., a live video screening of the Summit of the Security Council in connection with nuclear non-proliferation and nuclear disarmament will be broadcast in the same room. The afternoon meeting will take place from 3 to 6 p.m.

On Friday, 25 September 2009, the meetings will be held 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for representatives of ratifying States and the name of alternate representatives and advisers, in accordance with rule 3 of the draft rules of procedure (CTBT-Art.XIV/2009/1). This information should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to Mr. Thomas Markram, secretariat of the Conference, Weapons of Mass Destruction Branch, Office for Disarmament Affairs (e-mail markram@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0386; fax 1 (212) 963-8892; room S-3140).

The provisional list of speakers for the general exchange of views by ratifiers and signatories is open. For enquiries please contact Ms. Lucia Andaya, Office for Disarmament Affairs (e-mail andaya@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0386; fax 1 (212) 963-8892; room S-3140).

Participants wishing to distribute copies of their statements are requested to provide 300 copies of their official statements for distribution in the conference room. The United Nations Secretariat does not provide photocopying services.

Further information on the Conference can be found on the CTBTO Web site <www.ctbto.org> or at the following address: <www.un.org/disarmament/>.

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The second round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in October, in Conference Room 9, according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, 27 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Spanish*

Tuesday, 27 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Russian*

Wednesday, 28 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *French*

Wednesday, 28 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *English*

Thursday, 29 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Chinese*

Thursday, 29 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Arabic*

Office of the President of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly

Member States are kindly reminded that all communications may be sent to the Office of the President of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly (room C-204; tel. 1 (212) 963-7555).

Security Council

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

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Summary of official meetings

Friday, 18 September 2009

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

2nd plenary meeting

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: first report of the General Committee (A/64/250)

Section I

The General Assembly took note of paragraph 2 of the report.

Section II – Organization of the session

The General Assembly decided to address all of the organizational matters concerning the General Assembly as a whole.

The General Assembly took note of all of the information that it was requested to take note of and approved all the recommendations of the General Committee contained in Section II of the report.

The General Assembly was informed of the recommendation contained in paragraph 15 of the report, that each delegation designate someone to be present in the meeting rooms at the scheduled time.

The General Assembly took note of paragraph 36, concerning the timely submission of draft proposals for the review of their programme budget implications.

Section III – Adoption of the agenda

The General Assembly took note of paragraphs 44 to 49 of the report.

Item 19

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 50 that consideration of the question of the inclusion of the item be postponed to a later date.

Item 41

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 51 that consideration of this item be deferred to the sixty-fifth session and that this item be included in the provisional agenda of that session.

Item 62

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 52 that this item be included in the agenda of the current session under heading B (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences).

Item 123

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 53 that this item be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Item 160

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 54 that this item be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Item 161

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 55 that this item be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Item 162

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 56 that this item be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Item 163

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 57 that this item be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Item 164

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 58 that this item be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Item 165

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 that this item be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Item 166

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 60 that this item be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Pre-heading items

The General Assembly decided to include items 4 to 8 in the agenda.

Heading A

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading A (Maintenance of international peace and security).

Heading B

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading B (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences).

Heading C

The General Assembly decided to include the item listed under heading C (Development of Africa).

Heading D

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading D (Promotion of human rights).

Heading E

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading E (Effective coordination of humanitarian assistance efforts).

Heading F

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading F (Promotion of justice and international law).

Heading G

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading G (Disarmament).

Heading H

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading H (Drug control, crime prevention and combating international terrorism in all its forms and manifestations).

Heading I

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Section IV – Allocation of items

The General Assembly took note of the information contained in paragraph 64 concerning the granting of observer status.

Plenary meetings

The General Assembly approved all of the recommendations of the General Committee contained in paragraphs 66 (a) to (l), relating to a number of plenary items including paragraph 66 (f), that item 64 (Report of the Human Rights Council) be allocated to the plenary meeting and the Third Committee, on the understanding that the Third Committee would consider and act on all recommendations of the Human Rights Council to the Assembly, including those that deal with the development of international law in the field of human rights, without prejudice to the right of Member States to present resolutions and decisions on all issues considered in the report of the Council. Taking this recommendation into account, the General Assembly, in plenary meeting, would consider the report of the Council on its activities for the year. It is also understood that the current agreement is in no way a reinterpretation of General Assembly resolution 60/251 and that it will be reviewed before the beginning of the sixty-fifth session of the Assembly.

The representative of Cuba made a statement on a point of order.

First Committee

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 67, relating to item 96.

Second Committee

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 68, relating to item 60.

Third Committee

The General Assembly approved the recommendation and took note of the information contained in paragraphs 69 (a), (b) and (c) relating to items 62, 69 and 105.

Fifth Committee

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraphs 70 (a) and (b), relating to items 133 and 142.

Sixth Committee

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraphs 71 (a) to (d), relating to items 165, 166, 167 and 168.

The General Assembly approved the allocation of the items proposed in paragraph 72 for consideration directly in plenary meeting, as well as for the First Committee, the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee), the Second Committee, the Third Committee, the Fifth Committee and the Sixth Committee.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

United Nations Convention against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Notification under article 46 (13): Colombia (18 September 2009)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Treaty Event

Multilateral Treaty Framework: An invitation to universal participation

2009 Treaty Event: Towards universal participation and implementation

United Nations Headquarters (23–25 and 28–29 September 2009)

It is recalled that a series of successful treaty events has been held annually at the United Nations Headquarters commencing with the Millennium Summit in September 2000. This year, the annual treaty event will be held from Wednesday, 23, to Friday, 25 September, and on Monday, 28, and Tuesday, 29 September 2009, at United Nations Headquarters, to coincide with the general debate of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly.

The event, entitled "2009 Treaty Event: towards universal participation and implementation", provides a distinct opportunity for States to demonstrate their continuing commitment to the central role of the rule of law in international relations. This year's event will highlight treaties of global reach dealing with topics such as climate change, terrorism, human rights, transnational organized crime, statelessness and the use of nuclear and other weapons that adversely affect civilians.

The list of treaties being highlighted this year has been circulated by depositary notification C.N.163.2009 of 24 March 2009. As is customary, it will be possible to undertake treaty actions with regard to any treaty deposited with the Secretary-General during the treaty event. Necessary facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations intending to sign or deposit instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General during the treaty event may wish to inform their Governments accordingly for the purpose of completing the requisite domestic procedures.

Under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. All other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities. Likewise, instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession must be issued and signed by the same authorities.

Further information concerning the 2009 Treaty Event is available on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site <http://treaties.un.org> and at the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs (contact: Ms. P. Muriel Djella Ogandaga (tel. 1 (917) 367-9820); or Ms. Dina Hamdy (tel. 1 (212) 963-2113)). Information concerning the requirements for full powers and the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession (including model instruments) can be found in the *Treaty Handbook*, which is also available on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site.

Opening for signature (24 September 2009, 8.30 a.m. at the Treaty Signing area in the General Assembly Building, United Nations Headquarters)

Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (New York, 10 December 2008)

The Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, which was adopted on 10 December 2008 during the sixty-third session of the General Assembly by resolution 63/117 (A/RES/63/117) shall, in accordance with its article 17, be open for signature by any State that has signed, ratified or acceded to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.

The ceremony for the opening for signature of the Optional Protocol will be held on Thursday, 24 September 2009, at 8.30 a.m. during the 2009 Treaty Event at the Treaty Signing area in the General Assembly Building, at United Nations Headquarters. Following brief remarks by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Portugal, the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Chairperson of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and a representative of civil society, the Option Protocol will be opened for signature by the Legal Counsel of the United Nations.

Certified true copies of the Optional Protocol of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, were established on 31 December 2008 and were transmitted to all States by depositary notification C.N.2.2009.TREATIES-1 of 20 January 2009.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued by one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Optional Protocol during the signing ceremony or thereafter could notify, and provide, if required, copies of the full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters (e-mail depositaryCN@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963 5047).

Opening for signature

United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Carriage of Goods Wholly or Partly by Sea (New York, 11 December 2008)

The United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Carriage of Goods Wholly or Partly by Sea was adopted was adopted on 11 December 2008 at the sixty-third session of the General Assembly by resolution 63/122. In accordance with its article 88 (1), the Convention shall be open for signature by all States at Rotterdam, Netherlands, on Wednesday, 23 September 2009, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters.

Certified true copies of the Convention, which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, were established and transmitted to all States by depositary notification C.N.178.2009.TREATIES-2 of 8 April 2009.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Convention could notify, and provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters (e-mail depositaryCN@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047).

For more information on full powers and a model instrument of full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook* on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site, which can be accessed at the following address: <http://treaties.un.org>.

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